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SUBJECT.

Appointment of Mr Ramanatha Rao Saheb as Director of Civil Supplies

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D.O. No 48 4/3 July 1918 from Mr C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb - Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore - Submitting a note regarding the work [illegible] before the Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore & suggesting that the Director should be a Whole-time officer & that his office should be located [illegible] on the City.

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4/7/18
Chatterjee)

WJ 4/7/18

Mr Ranganatha Rao Saheb has written the above letter after a personal discussion with me. I agree with him that the present arrangements require some modification. I had a talk with Mr Chandy also & he also thinks some change is necessary.

The work has an intimate relation to the normal work of the Dept. of Commerce & the information & experience gained during this abnormal season of stress will be of great use in the work of the Dept of Commerce in ordinary times. It will [illegible] to keep into intimate touch with [illegible] regarding trades [illegible] great loss of

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the Dept. of Commerce is not associated with his special work.

Another consideration is that in other provinces this special duty has been entrusted to Senior officers of high status & a similar course will be desirable here also.

One course ~~may~~ would be to relieve Mr Chandy of his duties as Excise Comm^r &c & appoint him full time Director of Civil Supplies, Controller of Prices &c, & also appoint him as Director of Commerce so that he will have an intimate connection with the Dept of Commerce.

Possibly Mr Chandy may be made Director of Commerce ~~without~~ in addn to his present duties. CBS

Another course would be to appoint Mr Ramana tha Rao Saheb himself as Director of Civil Supplies &c, & divesting Mr Chandy of these functions

In any case the office must be located close to the City & the officer should be easily accessible to merchants &c. & should be in close touch with them.

2nd member } CBS
Dewan } 5/7/18

Mr. Ramana tha Rao Saheb's letter has come as no surprise, for it was quite to be expected. The solution described by him

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in the light of two months' actual experience is precisely what I foreshadowed respectfully in the note submitted by me to Govt as Rev. Commr. about two months ago. I feel therefore no hesitation in accepting what Mr. Ranganatha Rao Saheb has put forth in his communication now under disposal. The work is of an emergency nature besides being arduous & delicate and involves the exercise of patience and tact combined with an intimate knowledge of trade details and promptness in action. The work can be done properly only by a whole time officer in which case the above qualifications are to be found in one of the two alternatives suggested by the Chief Secy. The Secy. - i.e. the appointment of Mr. Ranganatha Rao Saheb as Director of Civil Supplies - is more acceptable to me for in my opinion it is by far the best arrangement that can be thought of or made. If need be the may be given the help of an Assistant. It seems to me that with this officer working as Director under the immediate control of the Chief Secretary, the work can be looked after under existing circumstances.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 455th *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the* 11th July *1918.*

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7. Subject.-Clause v of the Schedule.

Appointment of a whole-time Director of Civil Supplies, etc.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

The Council are of opinion that the Director of Civil Supplies should be in close touch with Commerce, and taking all circumstances into consideration, they think that the situation will be best met by appointing the Deputy Director of Commerce to be Director of Civil Supplies, etc.

Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb may be given an allowance of Rs.100 per mensem.

Sd. M. Visvesvaraya,

Dewan of Mysore.

"EXTRACT"

C S Balasundaramayya

Chief Secretary to Government.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Council is put up.

Forwarded with compliments to the Financial Secretary to Government, ~~under paragraph 8 of the Government Order, dated the 6th May 1907~~. for favour of remarks

By Order,

C Balasundaram
Chief Secretary to Government,
~~General Department~~.

12th July 1918.

No objn if the extra cost is met by I & C dept budget reapprn in the current year & the arrangement is declared temporary not going beyond the financial year.

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D.F.N is submitted - Two D.O letters received from the Chamber copies the Council meeting are placed on the file.

2nd member

D.F.N apptd.
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15.7.18.

D.S.N submitted

Secretary

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FINAL NOTE BY THE SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

SUBJECT.-

Appointment of a whole-time Director of Civil Supplies.

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In Government Order, No.G.16084-134/G.M.644-17-1, dated the 27th May 1918, Mr. K. Chandy, Excise Commissioner, was appointed Controller (subsequently changed to Director) of Civil Supplies and Prices in Mysore, and Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, Deputy Director of Commerce, was, in Government Order No.G.17072-G.M.644-17-11, dated the 8th June 1918, appointed Deputy Controller, (now Deputy Director).

2. It is now represented that, in view of the growth in the volume of work that lies before the Director of Civil Supplies, the Director should be a whole-time officer who can be in intimate touch with the commercial situation in the State and also have his office located near the city.

3. Two courses are open to achieve the above object, viz., (1) to appoint Mr. Chandy as Director of Commerce in addition to his duties, but, relieving him of his duties as Excise Commissioner, or (2) to appoint Mr. Ranganatha Rao Saheb himself as Director of Civil Supplies etc., in place of Mr. Chandy.

4. The question was considered at the last meeting of the Council, and the Council are of opinion that the Deputy Director may be appointed Director of Civil Supplies etc., and that he may be given an allowance of Rs.100/- per mensem for the additional work devolving upon him.

5. The Financial Secretary, to whom the papers were sent for favour of remarks, has stated that he has no objection to the proposal, if the extra cost is met by re-appropriation in the current year's Industries & Commerce Department Budget and the arrangement

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is declared **temporary**, not going beyond the financial year.

6. The resolution of the Council may be approved, with the modification suggested by the Financial Secretary, the continuance or otherwise of the allowance being taken up for determination early in June next, when the further continuance of the appointment itself may require to be considered.

P Rajagopalachariar
15.7.18
Member of Council.

15th July 1918.

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Submitted to His Highness.

I submit herewith a Final Note by the Second Member of Council on the subject of the appointment of a whole-time Director of Civil Supplies, for His Highness' gracious approval.

2. In the present difficult situation, the responsibility has to be made very definite and this proposal is suggested by the Council to meet an emergency.

M. Visvesvaraya
16th July 1918.

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject.

Proposal to appoint Mr.C.Ranganatha Rao Saheb as Director of Civil Supplies, &c.

Order.

27.7.18.

Chief Secretary &
Secretary to Govt
27.7.18

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Action as proposed
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Draft order & notn are submitted for approval.

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Financial Secretary's opinion is noted in hall: 6.

Draft of air communication Memo order is submitted

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(9) To Mr Director of Civil Supplies, Mr K. Caruna[illegible], Mr C. Ramanathan Saheb, Camp[illegible] DC, Mr [illegible] Dy Chief Mech Engr & Dy Controller of Stores No G 2323-73 of 31.7.18. Directs the appd of Mr

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	Mr C. Rangunatha Rao Saheb as Director of Civil Supplies Controller of Prices & Controller of Farming Materials is added to this Council & that he be given an allowance of Rs 100 per month for the add work.
11	To the Comptroller - Mysore & Coorg No. G 2374 & 31.7.18 A copy of the above appd. Nos G 2375-6 & 31.7.18 To Messrs K. Chandy & C Rangunatha Rao Saheb - Forwards copies of the above -
	Draft to the Residency intimating the change in the ~~personnel~~ personnel Submd MG 2/8/18 Approved 2/8/18
	Issue MG 3/8/18
12	To The P. A. Resident No 1697 & 3.8.18 Forwarded in duplicate for information of Govt with reference to his letter No G 2374 dated 31/7/18

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Office of the Director of Civil Supplies and Controller of Prices in Mysore.

Bangalore. 2nd July 1918.

Dear Sir,

As desired by you this morning, I submit the following note regarding the work that lies before the Director of Civil Supplies and Prices, and the Controller of Tanning Materials. This work has already become heavy and as time goes on, it promises to become extremely heavy and arduous. I will briefly indicate what has been done and what remains to be done in future.

Fuel supply to Bangalore and Mysore.

After it was proved that Mr. Bullappa had failed to supply the required quantity of fuel to the City, the commercial section arranged to take over the fuel cut by his men at Closepet and also made arrangements to obtain a supply of casuarina from Malur. The arrangements effected were temporary, but we succeeded in bringing large quantities of fuel in the City whereby poor people were supplied limited quantities of fuel at 8 maunds a rupee and the general market rate was lowered from two to four maunds a rupee. Government have passed orders regarding future supplies directing the Forest Department to supply jungle fuel to fuel vendors on sale by commission and the Director to purchase casuarina. I have again addressed Government on the subject to-day as certain alterations seem to be made in the Government order.

I have to point out that nothing has yet been done in regard to fuel supply at Mysore. There is no doubt that the situation there will also become acute and the Director of Civil supplies will be called upon to meet it somehow. The Deputy Commissioner of Kolar wants Government to notify that supply of fuel is a controlled commodity in the Kolar Gold Fields area. Fuel is scarce there and a scheme should be prepared to relieve the situation.

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Kerosine oil.

The supply of kerosine oil is controlled and arrange ments have been made with the chief mineral oil companies under - which oil will be sold through dealers licensed by Government. I have addressed Government to prohibit the sale of oil except by - licenses in the State in order to make sure that all the oil we -- get is sold at prices fixed by Government. For the present, oil - is sold at rates agreed upon only in Bangalore and Mysore. The Northern parts of the State is supplied with oil from Bombay and - there is a considerable shortage of oil owing to the deficiency of tank waggons which are believed to be controlled by the Price Controller at Bombay. To ensure a steady supply of even the restricted quantities available requires a working understanding with the Railways and the Controllers at Bombay and Madras and constant -- communication with them will be necessary. The equitable distribution of this oil to all parts of the State and the prevention of profiteering is sure to prove very serious work.

Tanning Bark.

The Bark trade is centred chiefly in three places in the State (1) in Bangalore (2) Tiptur (3) and in Bowringpet. Bangalore market supplies bark to about 45 tanneries to the north of the Civil and Military station and most of the bark collected at - Tiptur and Bowringpet is exported. The Controller of Tanning -- Stuffs at Madras wants a supply of about 80 waggon loads of bark - every month. The merchants and tanners at Tiptur are dissatisfied with the concessions granted by Government and have withheld all-- supplies. The Controller at Madras complains that supplies have been inadequate. A separate report will be submitted to Government. I wish to point out that we shall have to see that the -- depot keepers make the contractors work their areas deligently -- and distribute the bark to tanners here and export the necessary-- quantities in time to the tanneries. This will require constant and intimate touch with the bark trade and the tanning industry -- both here and in the Madras Presidency.

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Food Grains.

Government have notified the control of Paddy, Rice Ragi and Cholum. This involves the control of the movement of these food grains and an ascertainment of stocks in the country This is an extremely delicate task as many unguarded step may - either lead to a scare and the dispersal of supplies or panic - and looting. The Director should have to be frequently on tour studying the condition of the various markets.

Kolar Gold Fields area.

A very large industrial population is gathered -- within a small area and quantities of food grains and other -- materials are required weekly. They were originally imported chiefly from Madras and as the situation in the places from - which the area was heretofore supplied is also serious, foodstuffs should be obtained from other places if possible. This -- matter requires careful consideration with the Mining Board and the Director of Supplies, Madras.

Priority Certificates.

The Director has been empowered to issue Priority - certificates and has to decide what traffic is to be regarded - as preferential. The Railways complain owing to the shortage - of waggons, locomotives, especially on the metre gauge, it is - impossible to move any civil traffic except under certificates. This means that the Director should decide what traffic shall - move at all. It throws an extremely heavy responsibility and - involves an intimate knowledge of the requirements of each locality.

I have given a general idea of the very heavy work that will devolve on this Department in future. There is no - doubt that it will require a wholetime officer placed in independant charge. All the Controllers of other Provincial Governments are wholetime officers and it will be impossible to be in intimate touch with them to obtain supplies of the several ---

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things we require from outside whenever and whereever they are - available unless an officer gives his wholetime for the work.

Being intimately connected with the work of the Commercial section, all the preliminary arrangements relating to the supplies of fuel, kerosine oil and tanning bark described above were taken in this office and even after Mr. Chandy was Gazetted, the work was continued by me as requested by him until I was appointed as Deputy Controller. The Session of the Economic Conference and Mr. Chandy's leave supervened soon after, so that the entire work has up-to-date been done in the Commercial section. Mr. Chandy has returned from leave and naturally wants the work to be transferred to the Excise Commissioner's office and suggested to me that I might go there for an hour or so every day.

I wish to represent that official correspondence is a very small part of the Director's work. He has to see several merchants and business men daily and be in intimate touch with the Commercial situation in the State as well as the condition of traffic on the Railways. This should be done by the Director himself and not by somebody on his behalf as action as a result of his interviews with merchants will have to be taken by the Director on his own responsibility. I feel it my duty to submit that the Director should be a wholetime officer and his office should be located near the City. He must meet the merchants and Railway authorities frequently and take action on his own responsibility as regards moving certain goods and the refusal to move others. He should be in a position to seek direct orders, sometimes in person from the Government. The Controller of traffic, Simla, told me that as no one could foresee the end of the War, the difficulty as regards the movement of goods by rail is bound to increase day by day. There is also no doubt that owing to several causes, the rise in general prices will be continuously on the increase. Government can, under such circumstances, afford no more than very partial assistance and to do this in however small a degree, undoubtedly requires an organisation that is burdened with

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no other duty and that is in intimate touch with the entire trade and communications in the State.

I beg to suggest that the situation is very urgent and that the consideration of Government should be invited to it early.

Yours sincerely,

CRangaswamaiah

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e .

N.P.S.

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Bangalore,
Dated 10th July 1918.

Dear Mr. Balasumdram Iyer,

Adverting to your D.O. of yesterday's calling for an expression of my views as regards the Office of Director of Supplies etc, I wish to say as follows:-

I fully agree with the Deputy Director that the Director of Civil Supplies should be in intimate touch with the commercial situation in the State. This can be done by putting the Department of Commerce under him, I had suggested a similar course soon after taking charge.

It is undoubtedly the case that the work is heavy and will grow in volume; and the appointment of a full time Director later on may become necessary. At present this does not appear to be essential, but as the Excise Commissioner has not been relieved of his duties as Inspector General of Registration, and has very heavy, delicate and responsible additional work as Head of the Departments of Civil Supplies, Tanning Materials and

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Bangalore
12.4.18

Dear Sir,

In Continuation of my D.O. as regards the Office of Director of Civil Supplies, I wish to say that para 1 on page 4 of Mr A. Rao Saheb's letter is not Correct. He was not asked by me after my return from leave to send back the establishment or work in the Excise Commissioner, but himself sent back the clerks, and from Yesterday has been addressing me officially from his Office of Bureau of Commercial Information in matters relating to Civil Supplies. His idea, as far as I can understand it from his Conversation with me is that he made a mistake in accepting a Subordinate position, and signing papers for me, and that as he is the Head of one Dept. he should not be Subordinate to me, but should only give me assistance in the terms of the first Govt order.

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13/7/18 / Secy. Thanks 13/7/18

Bangalore
13.7.18

Dear Sir,

In Continuation of my Confl. letter of Yesterday, I wish to invite your attention to the facts that Dr. Rangaratna Rao Saheb has this day addressed a direct-tion his Bureau of Commercial Intelligence as regards a meeting of Directors of Civil Supplies; ie as regards a matter relating to my Dept, without reference to me, & has similarly sent a telegram on same subject to the Director of Civil Supplies Madras, signing it as Dy Director of Civil Supplies.

Nothing would have been lost by a delay of 15 minutes, that was all that was necessary for taking action through me, or with my knowledge. He failed to do so, I presume, deliberately, in order to prove his "independence", as reported Yesterday, & to hurry Govt to decision.

As Govt appointed him

Proceedings of the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

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R e a d:-

Government Order No.G.16084-134/
C.M.644-17-1, dated the 27th May 1918,
appointing Mr. K. Chandy, B.A., Excise
Commissioner in Mysore as Director of Civil
Supplies in Mysore.

2. Notification No.G.17078/C.M.644-17-1.
dated the 8th June 1918, appointing Mr. C.
Ranganatha Rao Saheb, B.A., B.L., Deputy
Director of Commerce, as Deputy Director of
Civil Supplies, etc.

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Order No.

Bangalore, 1918

In view of the growth in the volume
of work connected with the control of Civil
Supplies, Prices, Tanning materials, etc.,
Government consider that the Director should
be practically a whole time officer ~~to be~~ in intimate touch with the commercial
interests in the State. The normal activi-
ties of the commercial section of the
Industries and Commerce Department are

calculated to bring that office into close association with merchants and manufacturers, and Government consider that there are many advantages in entrusting to that Department, the special work that has now to be done in consequence of the conditions created by the War. They are accordingly pleased, in modification of the arrangements made in the orders read above, to appoint Mr. Ranganatha Rao Saheb as Director of Civil Supplies, Controller of Prices and Controller of Tanning Materials, in addition to his duties as Deputy Director of Commerce.

2. The arrangements will, for the present, be temporary up to the end of the current financial year, ~~and~~ the extra cost will be met by re-appropriation of funds in the budget of the Industries and Commerce Department.

Chief Secretary to Govt.

To

Mr. K. Chandy, B.A.
Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, B.A., B.L.,
The Director of Civil Supplies etc.
The Director of Industries and Commerce
The other Heads of Departments
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
The Comptroller to Government, through the Financial Secretariat, with the intimation that Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb will be given an allowance of Rs.100 per mensem for the additional work devolving on him as Director.

Press Table.

To be communicated to Mr. C.R. Rao Saheb also.

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Notification.

In modification of the arrangements ordered in notifications, Nos. G.16178/G.M. 644-17-2, G.16565/G.M.655-17-2, &G.17072/ G.M.644-17-11, dated 28th May 1918, 1st June 1918, and 8th June 1918 respectively, Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, B.A., B.L., is appointed Director of Civil Supplies, Controller of Prices and Controller of Tanning Materials, in addition to his duties as Deputy Director of Commerce.

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By order,

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Chief Secretary to Govt.

To

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2. Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, B.A., B.L.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,

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To

The A. A. Resident

Signed by for C.S. Balaram Iyer

Sir,

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In cont of this office Memo Pol. no 1123 dated the 30th May 1918 I am directed to forward herewith a copy of Govt Note no. G 2374/P.P. 6-18-11 of 31st July 1918 appointing Mr C. Ranganatha Rao Sahet Dy Director of Commerce as Director of Civil Supplies, Controller of

over.

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Vice & Controller of Tanning

Materials in Egypt - in addition in modification of the
to his duties, ~~and to request~~ arrangements governing
made
that the change in the personnel
may kindly be communicated
to the Central Transport &
Forestry Board & the Provincial
Director of Civil Supplies.

Have etc

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Office of the Director of Civil Supplies
in Mysore,

No. 517/ [illegible] Dated, Bangalore, 1st August 1918.

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From 10799

C. Ranganatha Rao, Sahib, B.A., B.L.,
Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

C.S. Balasundram Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to Government Notification No. G.2374/P.P.6-18-11, dated 31st July '18, I have the honor to submit herewith Memo No. 468, dated 31st July '18 in original issued by Mr. K. Chandy and to state that I have assumed charge of the office of the Director of Civil Supplies this day forenoon.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C Ranganatha Rao Sahib

Director of Civil Supplies.

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Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

General and Revenue Secretariat,

Bangalore, Dated, 31st July '18.

No. G. 2374/P.P.6-18-11.

N O T I F I C A T I O N.

In modification of the arrangements ordered in Notifications Nos. C. 16178/G.M.644-17-2, G.16565/G.M.655-17-2 and G.17072/G.M.644-17-11, dated 28th May '18, 1st June '18 and 8th June '18 respectively, Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, B.A., B.L., is appoint-ed Director of Civil Supplies, Controller of Prices and - - Controller of Tanning Materials, in addition to his duties as Deputy Director of Commerce.

By Order,

(sd) C.S.Balasundram Iyer,

Chief Secy. to Government.

Office of the Director of Civil Supplies in Mysore,

No. Dated, Bangalore, 31st July '18.

Copy of the above is forwarded to Mr. C. Ranganatha Rao Saheb, Deputy Director of Civil Supplies, with the intimation that the undersigned ceases to be in charge from tomorrow the 1st August '18 (forenoon).

K Ranga Rao

Director of Civil Supplies.